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25X1 1. All supply dumps and supply agencies of the 45th Gds Mtn Rifle Regt were
located in the regimental compound. See Enclosure (P) 7 and all sub-units of
25X1 the regiment were serviced by them.

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2. The Class III supply point was located in the regimental compound and consisted of the following supplies: five underground fuel storage tanks; two filled with gasoline and the remaining three with diesel oil; there were also six fuel trucks parked in the same area, three of them were filled with gasoline, and the rest with diesel oil; approximately 150 drums of gasoline and diesel oil were also stored in the same area. There were also supplies of oil and grease present in the dump.
3. The Class V supply dump was also located in the regimental compound. It contained approximately 200 cases of type (u/l) 57 mm ammunition, packed five rounds per case; 100 cases of 120 mm mortar projectiles, with five rounds per case; 100 cases of small (u/l) caliber mortar projectiles, with 10 rounds per case. The dump also contained approximately 100 cases of AT hand grenades, offensive and defensive anti-personnel hand grenades with 24 grenades per case, and approximately one thousand cases of caliber (u/l) rifle ammunition, each case containing two tins of 700-800 rounds each.

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- 25X1 4. All of the ammunition supplies were stored in an underground cement
25X1 bunker and were kept in such a manner as to permit quick
25X1 distribution to the various sub-units in case of emergency, ie they
25X1 were stacked in separate piles and tabulated for the individual sub-
25X1 units. All tanks of the 45th Gds Mecz Rifle Regt carried their
25X1 basic load of ammunition at all times. [redacted]
25X1 [redacted] the load was supposed to be of 57 to 60 rounds per tank.
- 25X1 5. There was a contemplated level, calculated in days, of supplies,
25X1 [redacted] it
25X1 was between 10 to 14 days [redacted]
25X1 [redacted]
- 25X1 6. The peacetime unit of fire for a T-34 tank was 57 rounds, while that
25X1 of a carbine was 75 rounds. [redacted]
25X1 [redacted]
- 25X1 7. Soviet forces had a special type of ration issued to them for use
25X1 in an emergency only. It was called the "untouchable supply"
25X1 (Neprikosnovenny Zapas - NZ). The daily NZ ration consisted of the
25X1 following items: 500 g dry bread, 150 g canned meat, and 25 g sugar.
25X1 Troops were not issued the ration [redacted]
25X1 [redacted] but all regimental supply depots had the ration in
25X1 storage. [redacted]
25X1 [redacted] In cases of emergency the ration was
25X1 to be distributed to the different companies of the regiment, and
25X1 then issued to the individual soldier at the rate mentioned above
25X1 paragraph 7. The amount of supplies on hand was calculated on the
25X1 basis of the number of men present in the regiment; no excess of
supplies was available.
8. [redacted] local material was used for bridge construction;
in addition to this type of material, light collapsible pontoons
(pneumatic) were used. The 45th Gds Mecz Regt had three such pon-
toons (five x three m) in storage.
9. [redacted]
10. All supplies were brought [redacted] by trucks. Some of the trucks
belonged to the 2d Bn, but most of them were assigned to the
regiment. [redacted]
[redacted] the average vehicle was driven
about 300 km per full fuel tank. [redacted] horse-drawn
transportation, [redacted]
was being used in the USSR.
11. There was no set number of trucks in a supply convey. Convoys
usually travelled at a speed of 25 km ph and the distance between
vehicles was supposed to be 20 to 30 m. The only system of traffic
control [redacted] was that soldiers were picked out of
different units and sent ahead of the convoy and posted at various
road intersections in order to indicate to the drivers the proper
route. None of those men had been specifically trained for the job.
[redacted] road signs [redacted] were being employed
in lieu of men [redacted]
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- 25X1 12. [] typical rations issued to troops in the Soviet Zone of Austria:

Summer Ration

700 g bread
150 g canned meat
25 g sugar

Winter Ration

900 g bread
150 g canned meat
25 g sugar

Emergency Ration

500 g bread
150 g canned meat
25 g sugar

- 25X1 The food which was served in the mess hall [] consisted of the following items:

Breakfast

Cereal (Kasha), approximately 400 g, or pea or bean soup, tea.

Dinner

Borshch (red beets and vegetable soup, 700 g)
Cereal (Kasha, 400 g)
Meat, 140 g

Supper

Cereal (Kasha), 400 g
Tea

In addition to the above mentioned food items, EM were issued a daily ration of 700 g of bread and 25 g of sugar in the summer, and 900 g of bread and 25 g of sugar in the winter; no additional vegetables of any kind were issued.

13. Whenever an item of clothing was worn to the extent that it could not be repaired by the individual soldier, it was supposed to be turned in to the 1st sgt, who was to procure the necessary replacement from the regimental supply depot.
14. The 45th Gds Mech Regt used the following foreign made items: Studebaker trucks, Chevrolet trucks, and overcoats (Austrian).
15. The 45th Gds Mech Regt had the following maintenance facilities:
- (a) Because there was no vehicle maintenance shop, all repairs, including those of a major nature, had to be made by the drivers concerned.
 - (b) Because there was no tank maintenance shop, all repairs had to be made by the tank crew concerned.
 - (c) Once every six months an inspection team from a weapons repair shop would inspect all weapons in the individual companies. On the same day all defective weapons had to be turned in, and that evening all of these weapons were returned to the companies ready for use.

- 25X1 16. [] there was a drivers' school located somewhere in Austria. [] the length of the course was three months.

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each soldier had a very thorough examination once a year. Every three months a minor medical check up was given to all members of the army. Once each year all personnel received two inoculations

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in a hospital in Moedling /4805N-1618E/

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approximately 80% of all personnel in the hospital were women. Some of the nurses were lts and sr lts, but most of them were pvts. Most of the doctors were also women, with the ranks of captain to colonel.

18. The water was inspected by the regimental medical officer. Individual companies utilized their organic transportation in bringing water into their areas where it was kept in barrels. When water was abundant no restrictions were placed on its use, but when it was scarce, the individual EM was supposed to receive but one full canteen every 24 hours. No salt tablets were issued to the EM at any time.

19. There was a PX at regimental hq where the following items were sold:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Origin</u>	<u>Price</u>	
Rubber boots	Bulgaria	99	schillings
Leather riding boots	Austria	450	"
Low quarter shoes	Austria	170	"
Jam, (one lb jar)	Bulgaria	5	"
Jam, (one kg jar)	Bulgaria	10	"
Chocolate, (10 g)	USSR	3	"
Sugar (one kg)	USSR	6	"
Various canned goods	USSR	1	"
Lemons, oranges (one lb)	USSR	4	"
Beef, (100 g)	Austria	3	"
Razor blades (10)	Austria	2-4	"
Swiss watches	Switzerland	250-900	"
Leather gloves	Austria	50-80	"
Nylon stockings	Austria	30	"
Cotton socks	Austria	8	"
Handkerchiefs	Austria	4	"
One piece cotton underwear	Austria	80	"
Silk scarves	Austria	9	"
Cologne water, (200 g)	Austria	8	"
Dental cream, (one tube)	Austria	2	"
Shoe polish	Austria	2	"
Shoe polish brush	Austria	9	"
Shirt, any color	Austria	80	"
Bath towel	Austria	17-21	"
Shaving soap	Austria	5	"
Fountain pen	Austria	10	"
Floor rug (two x 1 1/2 m)	Austria	350	"
Floor rug (2 1/2 x three m)	Austria	400	"
Leather belt	Austria	45	"
Gold plated watch band	Austria	190	"
Cigarettes (pack of 20)	Hungary	2.50	"
Cigarettes (pack of 20)	Bulgaria	3	"
Cigarettes (pack of 25)	USSR	2.50-6	"

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20. All EM were paid on the 15th or the 16th of each month. No ceremony was involved but a signature was required. [redacted] pay of members of different ranks in the Soviet Army:

Enlisted Men

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Pay in Schillings</u>	<u>Pay in Rubles</u>
Pvt	40	None
Pfc	55	None
Jr sgt	46	56
Sgt	86	56
Sr sgt	117	112
M/sgt	180	250

Officers

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Rank Pay</u>	<u>Assignment Pay</u>	<u>Longevity (3yrs)</u>
Lt	400 rubles 400 schillings	600 rubles 600 schillings	100 rubles 100 schillings
Sr lt	600 rubles 600 schillings	700 rubles 700 schillings	100 rubles 100 schillings
Capt	700 rubles 700 schillings	800 rubles 800 schillings	Unk Unk
Maj	900 rubles 900 schillings	1000 rubles 1000 schillings	Unk Unk

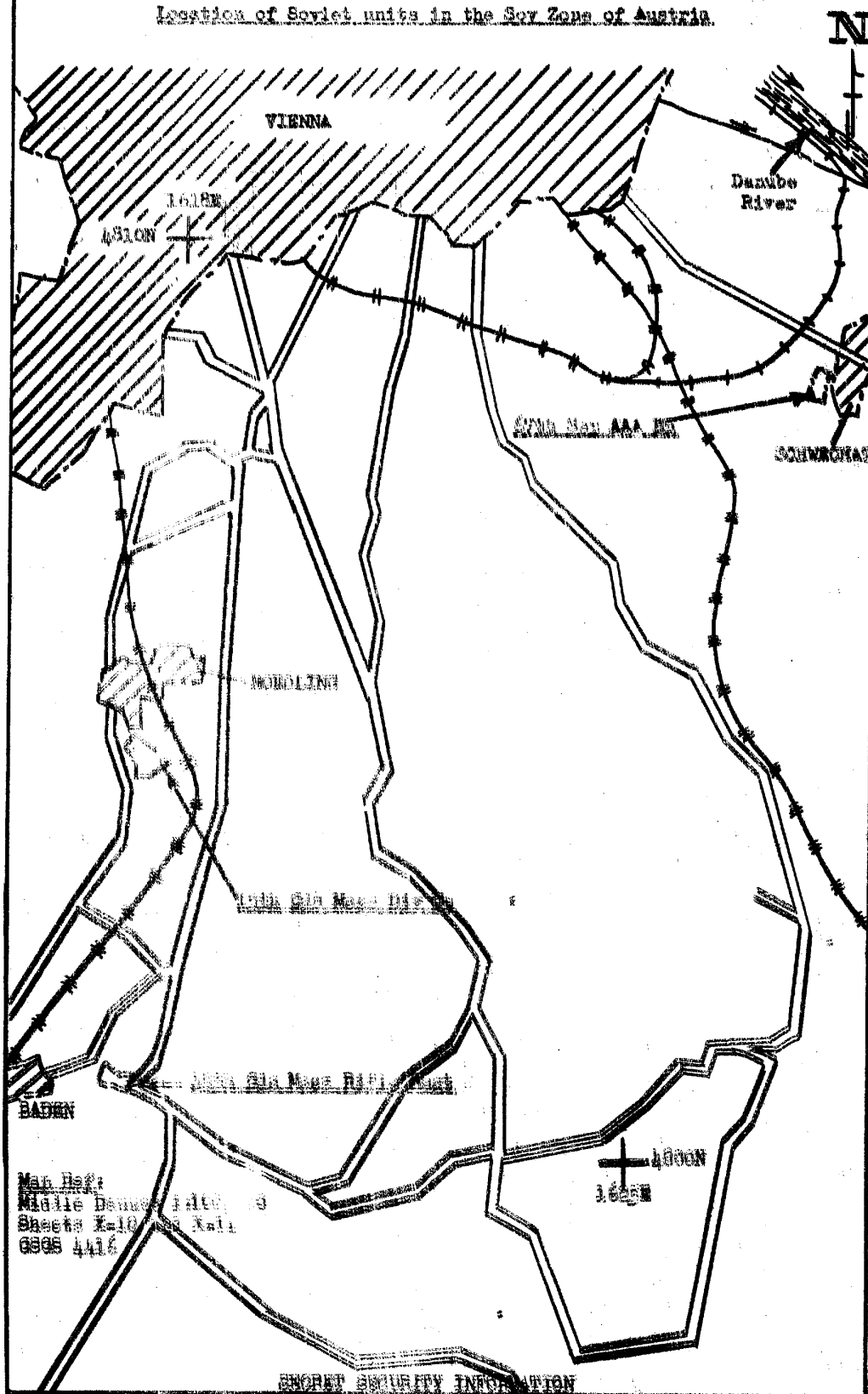
The rubles were not paid to the individual, but were credited to each officer's account in the USSR. [redacted] exchange [redacted] The rate of [redacted] was one ruble for 6 1/2 schillings.

Enclosures: A-Location of Soviet Units in the Soviet Zone of Austria.
B-15th Gds Mech Rifle Regt Caserne and floor plan of [redacted] barrack.
C-Floor plan of Building 5 and Squad Room therein.
D-67th Sep AAA Bn Caserne

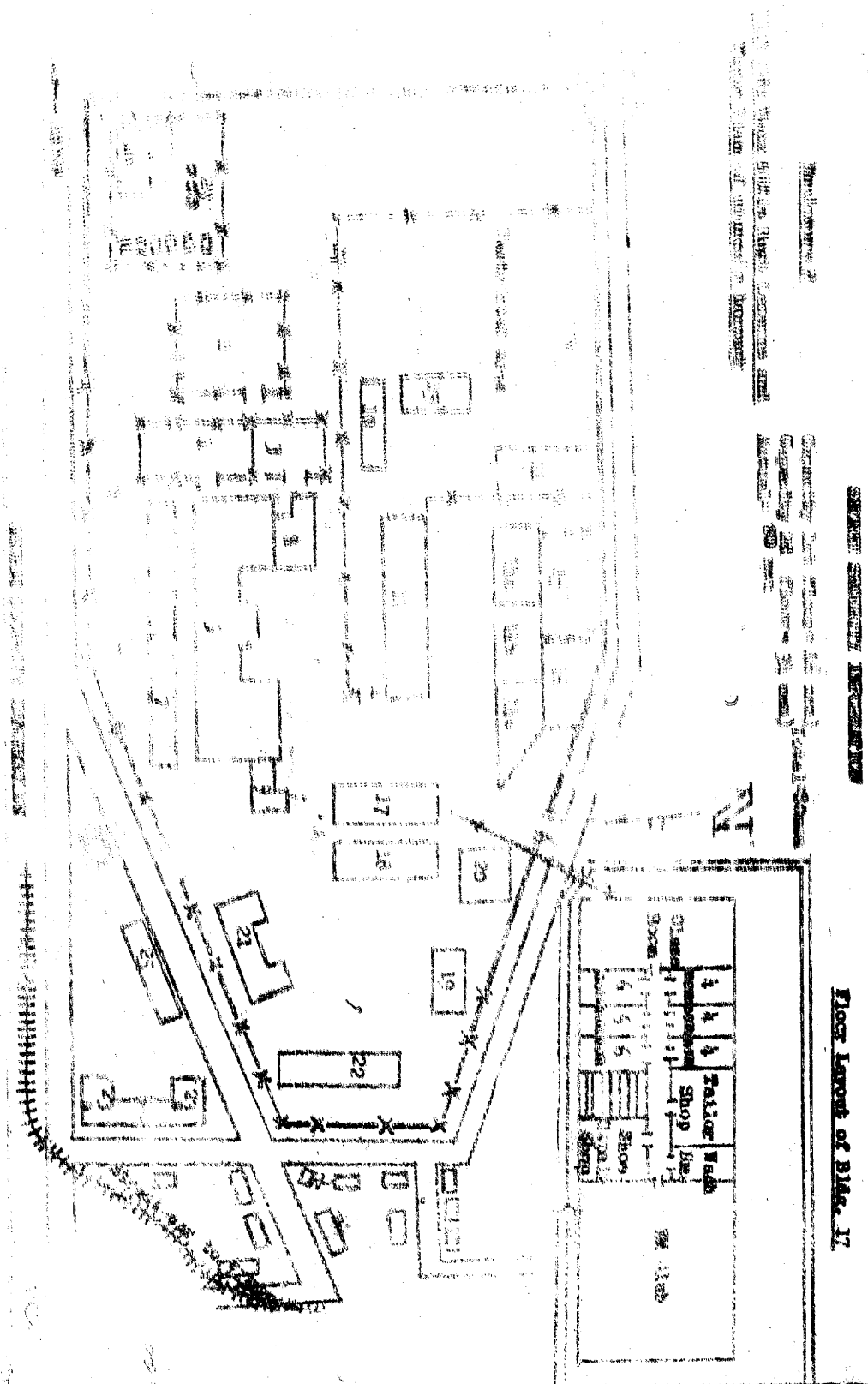
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Enclosure A

Location of Soviet units in the Sov Zone of Austria



Floor Layout of Bldg. 17



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Enclosure B45th Gls Mcom Rifle Regt CaserneLegend

1. POL dump, 60 x 70m.

2. Underground artillery ammunition dump.

The concrete structure projected 1m above the ground, extended 2m underground, and was 60 x 50m. It had a red shingle roof and the walls were 4m thick.

3. Parking area for mortars, 40 x 20m.

4. Parking area for 57mm AF guns, 60 x 20m.

5. Food supply storage in basement. Four-story black building, 140 x 40m.
(See Enclosure C for floor plan).

6. 1st Bn motor pool, 75 x 15m.

7. 2d Bn motor pool, 75 x 15m.

8. Bath house. One-story black stone building, 35 x 15m.

9. Medical aid station. One-story black stone building, 30 x 15m.

10. Quarters for HM of the Sep Sig Bn. Two-story black stone building, 50 x 10m.

11. Hq and quarters for HM of the Sep Sig Bn. Three-story black stone building, 90 x 20m.

12. Coal and wood storage area, 60 x 20m.

13. Radio station (towerless). One-story black stone building, 40 x 20m.

14. a. Artillery repair shop.
b. Garage for two vehicle repair trucks.
c. Stockade, guardhouse and quarters for guards.

One-story black stone building, 160 x 20m.

15. Coal and wood storage area, 60 x 20m.

16. Tech Serv and Ren Companies' motor pool, 75 x 30m.

17. Hq Co quarters - 1st floor
QM Platoon quarters - 2d floor

Two-story black building, 65 x 20m.

18. Tank shed for 10-20 tanks. One-story black stone building, 65 x 20 x 7m.

19. Officers' quarters. Two-story black stone building, 40 x 20m.

20. Clothing and equipment storage. One-story black stone building, 30 x 30m.

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21. Hq, 45th Gds Mecz Regt. Two-story black stone building, 60 x 30m.
22. Officers' messhall - 1st floor
Officers' quarters - 2d floor
Two-story black stone building, 80 x 25m.
23. a. Regimental NCO school. Classrooms and billets.
b. Quarters for EM of the Sep Sig Bn.
Four-story black stone building, 60 x 20m.
24. Regimental CO's quarters. Two-story yellow stone building, 25 x 15m.
25. Officers' quarters. Two-story yellow stone building, 50 x 15m.
26. Gasoline drums.
27. Barbed wire fence, 2 1/2m high.
28. Stone wall, 3m high.
29. Underground gasoline tanks.
30. Gas trucks.

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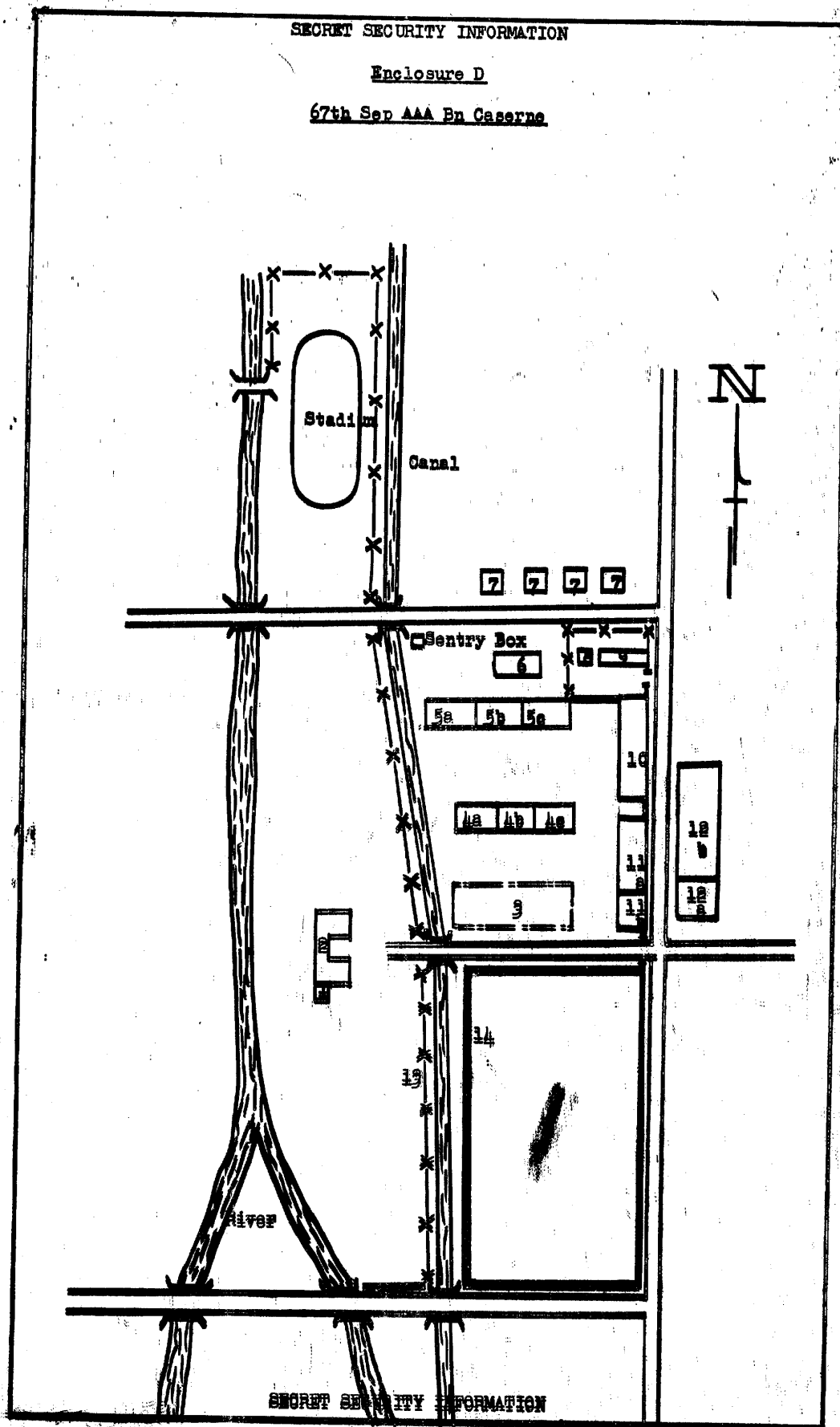


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Enclosure D

67th Sep AAA Bn Caserne



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Legend

1. Mess hall. One-story steel and glass building, 10 x 10 x 7m.
2. Hq and quarters for all Bn BM. Four-story gray stone building, 60 x 25m.
3. Motor pool, 80 x 30m.
4. a. Guardhouse, stockade and quarters for guard detachment.
b. Clothing and equipment supply room.
c. Vehicle maintenance shop.
Two-story gray stone building, 80 x 20m.
5. a. Arty maintenance shop.
b. Arty supply depot.
c. Class rooms.
One-story gray stone building, 100 x 15m.
6. Officers' mess hall. Two-story gray stone building, 30 x 15m.
7. Officers' quarters. Four two-story gray stone buildings, 15 x 15m.
8. Quarters for three Austrian women. One-story black wooden building, 10 x 10m.
9. Austrian apartment house. One-story gray stone building, 30 x 10m.
10. U/I destroyed gray stone building, 75 x 15m.
11. a. Unused section.
b. POL dump.
Destroyed gray stone building, 50 x 15m.
12. a. Radio and telephone communication station for the Central Army Group.
b. Unoccupied.
Two-story gray stone building, 60 x 20m.
13. Barbed wire fence, 2 1/2m.
14. Wall, 3m high.

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